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FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT OF SECRETARY TO DAKAR

1. PLEASE INFORM PRESIDENT SENGHOR (WHO WE UNDERSTAND IS VACATIONING IN NORMANDY) ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS THAT SECRETARY EXPECTS TO RETURN TO AFRICA NEXT WEEK, AND THAT HE IS CONSIDERING FLYING DIRECTLY FROM WASHINGTON TO DAKAR BEFORE GOING ON TO EAST AFRICA. SECRETARY DOES NOT REPEAT NOT WANT TO UPSET ANY FIRM PLANS SENGHOR MIGHT HAVE, BUT IF IT WOULD BE CONVENIENT FOR HIM TO RECEIVE SECRETARY ON THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 13, SECRETARY WOULD BE PLEASED TO SEE HIM ONCE MORE BEFORE HE BEGINS HIS PROGRAM IN EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA.

2. IF SENGHOR IS RECEPTIVE, YOU MAY TELL HIM SECRETARY WOULD PROBABLY DEPART WASHINGTON AT 8:00 A.M., SEPTEMBER 13, AND ARRIVE DAKAR AT 7:40 P.M. IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE TWO TO MEET BRIEFLY THAT EVENING, AND AGAIN THE FOLLOWING MORNING, BEFORE SECRETARY DEPARTS AT 11:00
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3. IF SENGHOR DOES NOT REPEAT NOT EXPECT TO RETURN
IN TIME TO RECEIVE SUCH A VISIT PLEASE ASSURE HIM THE
SECRETARY REMAINS NONE-THE-LESS INTERESTED IN FINDING
SOME MUTUALLY CONVENIENT TIME TO PAY ANOTHER CALL ON
HIM.

4. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP.

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